Looking back over 2012

With Christmas nearly here, we’d like to remind you of some of the steps we’ve taken during 2012 to improve the UK Power Networks competitive connections market.

January
- New Construction and Adoption Agreement with standard terms and conditions

February
- Competition Q&A service launched – a one stop shop for competition-related queries

March
- Asset Owner Agreements enable open competition in unmetered connections

April
- Non-standard substation civils design service for ICPs in place

May
- Company-wide programme of employee competition awareness briefings launched

June
- Submitted a Competition Notice for six of the nine market segments

July
- The first joint was completed in an HV final connections pilot

August
- Began feasibility study for Convertible Quotes process

September
- Monthly dates available for ICP employee acceptance testing

October
- Extensive new G81 site launched – acclaimed as best in class
- Final connection to our radial underground LV cable networks became contestable
- Ofgem confirms that UK Power Networks has passed the Competition Test for two segments and applauds the overall progress made over the past two years

November
- Access to LV operational diagrams went live for EPN and SPN areas (LPN to follow soon)

December
- First non-contestable quotes issued in our Convertible Quote pilot

In January we’ll share the plans we developed together at our last workshop, and we’ll continue to engage with you throughout 2013 to ensure all the changes are fully effective. We plan to hold our next workshop on 12 February 2013.

With best wishes for 2013,
The UK Power Networks competition development team